That, with the hurly[2], death itself awakes ?
Can'st thou, O partial sleep ! give thy repose

stances of this use of the word from Drayton. So, in his Miracles of Moses:

" And the sterne thunder from the airy *shrouds,*
" To the sad world, in fear and horror spake."

Again, in Ben Jonson's Poem on Inigo Jones :

" And peering- forth of Iris in the *shrowds."*

Again, in Chapman's version of the twentieth Iliad:

" <--*, casting all thicke mantles made of clouds,
" On their bright shoulders. Th' oppos'd gods sat hid in other *shrouds."*

A moderate tempest would hang the waves in the *shrotuds of* a ship ; a great one might poetically be said to suspend them on the *clouds,* which were too *slippery* to retain them. So, in Julius Caesar:

" I have seen
" Th' ambitious ocean swell, and rage and foam
" To be exalted with the threatening *clouds."*

Again, in Golding's translation of Ovid's Metamorphosis, book xi. :

" The surges mounting up aloft did seeme to mate the side,
" And with their sprinkling for *to wet the clouds that hang on Me.*[1]"

Again, in Ben Jonson's Masque of Queens, 1609 ;

"------when the boisterous sea^
" Without a breath of wind, hath *knocked the skv"*

Again, Virg. JEn. lib. iii. :

•——— spumam elisam, et rorantia vidimus astra.

Drayton's *airy shrouds* are the *airy covertures of heaven:* which, in plain language are the *clouds.*

A similar image to that before us, occurs in Churchyard's Praise of Poetrie, 1595 r

" The poets that can clime the cloudes,
" Like *ship-boy* to the top,
** When sharpest stormes do shake the *shrowdes,"* &c»

Lee, in his Mithradates, is the copier of Shakspeare:

" So sleeps the sea-boy on the cloudy mast,
" Safe as a drowsy Triton, rock'd by storms,
" While tossing princes wake on beds of down."

STEEVENS.

The instances produced by Mr. Steevens prove that *clouds* were sometimes called poetically airy *shrouds,* or shrouds suspended in air: but they do not appear to me to prove that any writer, speaking of a ship, ever called the *shrouds* of the ship by the name of *clouds.* I entirely^ however, agree with him in thinking that